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2005 Convocation Celebrates Inspiring Minds, Inspiring Lives

By Anne-Marie Kent

The September 20 Convocation Day activities began with a special breakfast in the Campus Center, followed by the Chancellor's Convocation Day Address: "Inspiring Minds, Inspiring Lives: A Celebration of Reciprocal Education."

Opening his speech with a new twist on an old joke about mistakenly receiving a sympathy bouquet on the occasion of his appointment, Chancellor Michael F. Collins, M.D., acknowledged both the "controversy surrounding [his] appointment" and the "sage counsel" given personally by former interim chancellor Keith Motley—which was to "love this place." Sitting in the front row, Motley smiled and nodded.

Chancellor Michael F. Collins, M.D., shared his first impressions of UMass Boston and talked with students about their experiences at the university as part of Convocation Day celebrations, held on Tuesday, September 20. (Photo by Richard Howard)

For a place to be loved, it must be known. Chancellor Collins went on to reveal that he had indeed spent some time getting to know UMass Boston, listening to people, observing, and doing some homework.

His summer reading included two key books edited by UMass Boston faculty members: *Achieving Against the Odds: How academics become teachers of diverse students*, edited by Esther Kingston-Mann and Tim Sieber, and *Crossing the Curriculum: Multilingual learners in college classrooms,* edited in part by Vivian Zamel. These books contain essays written by UMass Boston faculty members and students about their learning experiences at UMass Boston.

"The more I speak with various people on campus, it becomes clearer and clearer to me that throughout UMass Boston inspiring minds inspire lives. It takes a certain type of educator to make this happen, and these books, these authors identified that type for me," said Chancellor Collins, who cited specific faculty members by name: Reyes Coll-Tellechea, Tim Sieber, Cass Turner, Esther Kingston-Mann, Vivian Zamel, Lois Rudnick, Kathleen Sands, Peter Kiang, Estelle Disch, and Winston Langley.

Chancellor Collins also recounted several examples of students who inspired him personally, including College of Nursing and Health Sciences senior Entela Topalli, who grew up in a com-

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UMass Boston Responds to Those Affected by Hurricane Katrina

New Orleans native Orlando Alcazar had only six classes left to take at the University of New Orleans when he and his fiancée had to evacuate the city due to Hurricane Katrina. The 33-year-old now attends UMass Boston and says of university staff, "They took care of everything." (Photo by Harry Brett)

By Lisa Gentes

Hurricane Katrina has deeply affected the UMass Boston community—from displaced students now enrolled in classes at UMass Boston, to faculty members volunteering down south, to those with family living in New Orleans.

In a quick response to the crisis in the Gulf Coast, on September 1 UMass Boston offered open enrollment to any student displaced by the hurricane.

"We want to offer our deepest sympathy to the citizens of the Gulf Coast states and reach out to these communities in any way possible," Chancellor Michael F. Collins said. "We would like to invite students whose academic careers have been interrupted by the devastation a chance to continue their education here at UMass Boston."

According to Christopher Hogan, assistant vice chancellor for student affairs, 27 students, undergraduate and graduate, were enrolled and started classes by September 13.

"We tried to find classes to link to their majors," he said, adding that the university is working to get their credits transferred back to their host institutions. "Our main concern was just to get them into class."

The students, some Massachusetts residents and others from out of state, had their tuition waived by the state Board of Higher Education for the fall semester, he said.

New Orleans native Orlando Alcazar had only six classes left to take at the University of New Orleans (UNO) before receiving his undergraduate degree in psychology. The 33-year-old, now attending UMass Boston, moved up to Boston with his fiancée, Bettina Blasini, after they fled their home in New Orleans before Katrina hit.

"Where I lived, two blocks away from where the levee broke, it's completely destroyed," he said. He and his fiancée evacuated to a friend's house in Baton

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munist labor camp in Albania.

"Despite unimaginable hardships and sadness, Entela remains optimistic about her future… deeply grateful for all the assistance she has received from the diverse people and programs at UMass Boston," said Chancellor Collins. "There are so many compelling student experiences and faculty insights, all of them equally moving and motivational, and all of them illuminating what I believe is the heart of UMass Boston: inspiration so deeply felt that it transforms not just minds but lives, and not just those of the students, but the faculty's. Ours is a community receiving a reciprocal education." While he would not "divulge 'Vision 2020,'" he did outline goals in areas including infrastructure, student advising, university life, online learning, financial aid, fundraising, fiscal processes, and campus climate. The full text of his speech is available at **www.umb.edu**.

"I found the chancellor's speech inspiring. It generated enthusiasm and sparked a great deal of energy," said Noushin Ashrafi, Faculty Council chair. "Faculty were pleased that he showed understanding of the university, its mission, and its place in the broader community. We are hopeful and looking forward to a great year with Chancellor Collins' leadership."

Sherry Penney, professor of leadership, agreed, "Chancellor Collins' excellent remarks on Convocation Day demonstrated his commitment to and understanding of the UMass Boston mission. His enthusiasm about being part of the campus community came though over and again. It also was particularly gratifying to hear him cite and praise many of our most distinguished faculty for their outstanding work in promoting student learning. It was a very good day for UMass Boston."

Following Chancellor Collins, Harvard Law professor Lani Guinier presented a rousing lecture in honor of Constitution Day, titled "Wealth, Race and Merit in Higher Education."

"Higher education has become a credential and has become a credential of entitlement, and it has become a credential of entitlement, that those who are wealthiest can afford to purchase," said Guinier, who went on to say that higher education is "deeply connected to the democratic mission of our country because our country depends on citizens who can think critically, citizens who are committed to an understanding of society and are encouraged to serve that society, not just to take advantage of the opportunities of that society to serve themselves."

Guinier, who voiced admiration for the chancellor's speech, offered a pointed response to his mention of former Chancellor Gora's "3 Rs"—the R of "reputation" in particular. She said, "I think that UMass Boston has so much to build on in terms of developing and promoting its reputation. You have the opportunity to change the way we think about higher education more generally. I would hate to see you follow Harvard's lead," offering "a credential of wealth, not of service."

Guinier added, "I think this university has the opportunity to demonstrate that higher education is not about credentialing those who are already privileged; it is about promoting an ethic of service among all of us."

Top left: Chancellor Collins gave his first major address in a crowded ballroom full of university faculty and staff.

Top right: Emily McDermott, professor of classics and dean of Graduate Studies, Maryellen Collins, and Chancellor Collins were on hand to meet students and serve food.

Mid-left: Students enjoy the barbecue.

Mid-right: Provost Paul Fonteyn, Anita Miller of Academic Services, and College of Public and Community Service dean Adenrele Awotona were some of the many staff who served students at the barbecue.

Bottom left: Erica Mena, president of the undergraduate student senate and English major, speaks during Chancellor Collins' meeting with students in the afternoon.

Bottom center: Guinier gave an impassioned address to a standing-room only audience.

Bottom right: A student enjoyed cotton candy in the Clark Athletic Center, one of the many offerings at Fest-of-Us celebrations.

(Photos by Harry Brett and Richard Howard)

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New Study by Biologist Reveals Error in Global Warming Assumptions

By Peter Grennen

Biology professor Jeff Dukes can't seem to keep his attention focused on the here and now. In view of the nature of his research and the geophysical timeline it encompasses, that's perhaps understandable: Dukes is a terrestrial ecologist with an interest in how the natural world is affected by environmental change—in particular, rising concentrations of greenhouse gases and the resulting uptick in global warming.

When he was last profiled in these pages, Dukes had revisited the earth's natural history to calculate how much ancient plant material went into the fuel we use to meet our energy needs today. Now he is shifting his temporal frame of reference again, this time in an attempt to show how the earth's natural systems will respond to changing levels of carbon dioxide and other environmental factors over the next century.

Using specially designed equipment, Dukes and colleagues from Stanford University and the Carnegie Institution of Washington subjected a two-acre parcel of northern California grasslands to current and predicted combinations of four environmental variables—carbon dioxide, nitrogen, temperature, and precipitation. The study, launched in 1997 as part of the Jasper Ridge Global Change Experiment (JRGCE) and carried out on a Stanford biological preserve, then measured grassland response to these treatments by estimating plant growth as evidenced by net primary production (NPP)—the amount of carbon left over after cellular respiration.

A new study by Jeffrey Dukes, assistant professor of biology, and colleagues has found some ecosystems are not absorbing carbon dioxide at rates previously predicted. (Photo by Harry Brett)

Dukes and his team admit to being surprised, if not alarmed, by their findings, which are detailed in this month's *PLoS Biology.* In the study's virtual-future ecosystem, elevated temperature, rainfall, and carbon dioxide did little to spur plant growth. "Despite predictions that ecosystems would take up a lot more carbon, that was not the case here," says Dukes. The inescapable conclusion: California grasslands, and systems that respond in a similar manner, are not likely to help slow the pace of climate change by storing carbon in new growth.

The researchers are not quite sure why this is so. Dukes believes that there may be some other limiting factor at work—that a natural system would respond as expected if, for example, one other element or condition were present. "In our system, it might be the presence of phosphorus," he says. "We think nitrogen can play the same role in other systems, but we don't really know."

Whatever that unknown factor may be, the negligible NPP readings it causes call for a retooling of the models on which investigators have relied. Says Dukes, "If earlier predictions are not realistic, we have to expect that climate change will come faster and perhaps with a greater magnitude." The response of other types of ecosystems has to be taken into account as well. "If other natural systems also fail to sequester as much carbon as scientists once thought," Dukes adds, "CO_2 concentrations in the atmosphere will rise even faster."

Clearly, there is much more to learn in this area, but investigators are certain of one thing: The more carbon that winds up in the atmosphere instead of on land or in the oceans, the faster the planet will heat up. "Global warming is inevitable if atmospheric CO_2 concentrations continue to rise," Dukes says. "The challenge is to figure out which natural systems will help to slow this change, which won't, and why."

Meeting that challenge is a need that grows more pressing by the day. Scientists know they can look to the past for clues to the origins of global warming, and to experiments like JRGCE to assess how severe the problem will be in years to come, but to begin addressing the problem itself there's no time like the present.

University Community Responds to Hurricane Katrina Disaster

Rouge, thinking they'd be gone for about three days. He grabbed a few t-shirts, shoes, and clothes, he said.

With his home and car destroyed, and even his college records at UNO flooded, he took UMass Boston up on its offer to take in students hit by the hurricane. He had to piece together his transcript from memory.

"They took care of everything," he said of the university staff. "They bent over backwards to accommodate me."

Now Alcazar plans to stay in Boston and graduate from UMass Boston in May 2006. His fiancée is seeking employment as a nurse, and he said everyone they've come across has "been wonderful. They all go out of their way to help. When people realize where we're from, they offer every courtesy they can make."

The couple is enjoying Boston so far, and even took in a Red Sox game, courtesy of UMass Boston. "We both love Boston," Alcazar said. "It's something new for us. We both consider ourselves very lucky. We got out of there in time and didn't encounter any difficulties. We could be a lot worse off."

New faculty member Valera Francis, director of the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, lost her childhood home in New Orleans to Katrina.

"My childhood house is gone, that whole neighborhood, where my mother still lives in (our) family home, it was submerged," Francis said.

Her family has lived in the Big Easy for generations, and her mother, sister, and daughter managed to evacuate to Jackson, Mississippi, before the storm hit. Francis's extended and immediate family all live in the city.

She said her family was lucky, and all had the means to evacuate before Katrina struck. None had to go to an emergency shelter, but now family members are staying with friends across the country, she said. Now she and her family members are "just waiting for the word" so they can return to their devastated homes and "see if anything is salvageable."

Two faculty members traveled down to Louisiana to assist with the hurricane disaster-relief efforts last month. Bill Silvestri, a technical assistant at the Center for Social Policy (CSP), along with fellow faculty member Michael Faris, flew down to the hurricane-ravaged area to help shelters document the needs of hurricane evacuees.

"One thing that's really impressive is the amount of involvement of the faith community and how everybody has pulled together," Silvestri said during a cell phone interview from a shelter in Shreveport. "Unfortunately, because the government wasn't here…"

The 52-year-old UMass Boston alumnus and retired National Guardsman, who's worked for the center for six years, is assisting the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for about two weeks.

The center, which had done work with emergency and homeless shelters in Massachusetts, is helping the four hurricane-ravaged states coordinate temporary housing assistance for the evacuees.

"We've been doing technical assistance nationally for HUD for the past four to five years and we've learned a lot through our experience here locally…about how to improve service delivery in shelters so that people get the resources they need," Donna Haig Friedman, CSP director, said.

That expertise led the "folks at the federal level to think about us as resources at this time," she said.

Down in Louisiana, Silvestri, a Quincy resident, said the two staffers are "working with volunteers running the shelter…to assess the needs of the community…and communicate those needs directly to HUD."

At the shelter he was working at on September 16, about 300 to 400 hurricane evacuees were being helped with housing assistance, he said.

"What we usually do is observe the operation…in order to coordinate the work of several different agencies involved…to coordinate the case-management effort," he said.

"Because everything happened so quickly, there was a lack of coordination," Silvestri said of the multi-agency hurricane-relief effort. "One bad thing is people have had to give their information over and over and over again."

"Our effort is to get everyone using a management information system, and not to have to continuously repeat their information," he said of the evacuees, most of whom didn't have identification or documents. "It's really coordinated case management."

He said the goal of providing resources to the evacuees is to aid them in finding suitable temporary shelter. "The idea is to at least provide temporary housing for at least three to six months," Silvestri said.

CSP has "always specialized in homeless services," he said, noting that the homeless population in devastated areas could increase up to fourfold.

"Our goal is to move the population into temporary housing so emergency shelters are not totally overwhelmed," he said.

Efforts on campus continue in large and small ways to reach out to the Gulf State victims. Students raised $450 during the first week of classes, a contribution sent to the Red Cross. Faculty and staff efforts include those of Connie Chan and Carol Chandler, who both provided counsel to evacuees living at Otis Air Force Base on Cape Cod.

Boston Folk Festival Welcomes Music Fans Back for the Eighth Time

By Anne-Marie Kent

On September 24 and 25, UMass Boston was once again home to the Boston Folk Festival, presented by WUMB 91.9 FM. Now in its eighth year, the festival drew fans from as nearby as Dorchester and as far away as England. In all, over 20 states and four countries were represented.

Featured artists included Suzanne Vega and Patty Griffin. Perhaps best known for her commercial hits "Tom's Diner" and "Luka," Vega paved the way for many current female singer/songwriters. Griffin is one of the most gifted singer/songwriters to emerge from the Cambridge folk scene. Other performers included Chris Smither, Lori McKenna, Guy Davis, David Massengill, Maria Sangiolo, Annie Gallup, and Cosy Sheridan.

Music acts performed on the large field stage, a waterfront pavilion stage, and a coffeehouse venue set up in the Ryan Lounge. On Saturday, there was a silent auction of dozens of items, including song sheets, pictures, and albums signed by musicians, including Eric Clapton, Neil Young, James Taylor, Paul Simon, Bruce Springsteen, Arlo Guthrie, Yo-Yo Ma, and Bob Dylan.

Food and craft vendors lined the perimeter of the field stage, in part powered by "The Great Renewable Energy Show" van, which offered an educational display of renewable energy models. Also on the field stage were kids' activities, included kite-making and other crafts. And on display were works of art done by youth from the Dot Art program. Students from UMass Boston's Golden Key Honour Society collected food donations for the Boston Food Bank and cash donations for victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Suzanne Vega, known for her hits "Tom's Diner" and "Luka," performed at the Boston Folk Festival on Saturday. (Photo by Harry Brett)

"This year's Folk Festival was a true celebration of community—the members of the folk community who got to enjoy some of the finest talent in the country, the UMass Boston community who worked and volunteered to support the festival and help makes it a success, and the local neighborhoods and organizations who benefited from fundraising opportunities made available to them at the event," said executive director Pat Monteith, who was named winner of the annual Jerry Christen Memorial Award from the Boston Area Coffeehouse Association at a special reception Saturday night. The award recognizes her work on behalf of the preservation of folk music and the advancement of contemporary folk through Folk Radio WUMB and the Boston Folk Festival on UMass Boston's campus.

UMass Boston to Host City Council Debate

Eight candidates running for Boston City Council will be invited to a debate focused on issues facing ethnic minorities, to be held on October 19 at UMass Boston's Campus Center. Callie Crossley, a veteran journalist and contributor to WGBH's "Beat the Press," will moderate the forum.

The debate is hosted by the Ethnic Media Project at McCormack Graduate School's Center for Media and Society.

A panel of journalists from several of the city's leading ethnic publications, including the *Bay State Banner*, *Boston Haitian Reporter*, *Boston Irish Reporter*, and *El Mundo*, will ask the candidates to address a wide range of issues, with a particular focus on those that affect ethnic groups in Boston.

"We believe this will mark the first time that Boston's vibrant ethnic media have joined forces to engage candidates and voters in such a way," said Ellen Hume, founder and director of the center. "UMass Boston is the ideal place to stage an event that will highlight both the diversity of the electorate in the city and the media that keep them informed."

The debate will provide an opportunity for the winners of the September 27 primary to discuss their positions before the final election on November 7, when four of the eight will be elected.

2005 Athletic Hall of Fame Class Inducted

In a ceremony scheduled for October 13, UMass Boston will celebrate the achievements of its 2005 Athletic Hall of Fame class, a group of outstanding former student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and friends of the athletics program.

Recipients include: John Buckley '66, basketball; Carlos Fernandes '99, soccer; Jackie James '90, indoor/outdoor track; James Kent '75, football and lacrosse; James Loscutoff, basketball coach; Robert Quinn '69, hockey; Carol Thomas '87, basketball and indoor/outdoor track; Charlie Titus, vice chancellor for athletics and recreation, special projects and program, for his work as an administrator and basketball coach; the 1986-7 NCAA champion women's indoor track and field team; and the 1981-2 men's ice hockey team.

The recipients were voted in by a 14-member Hall of Fame committee in May and are the third class to be inducted since the formation of the Hall of Fame in 2003. The event will take place on Thursday, October 13, at 6:00 p.m., in the Campus Center ballroom. Contact the Department of Athletics for more information: 617-287-7815.

UMass Boston Welcomes First Class of Students from Tsinghua University

An inaugural group of undergraduates from China's Tsinghua University have started their first semester as students at UMass Boston. Through a collaboration between Kathleen Teehan, vice chancellor of the Division of Enrollment Management, and Dirk Messelaar, dean of the Division of Corporate, Continuing, and Distance Education (CCDE), five students are living in the Boston area and attending the university, either as fully matriculated students or studying toward future matriculation through CCDE's University Preparation Program. The students, and those who are working to make their stay fun and productive, are (left to right): Michael Todorsky, administrative coordinator for the Division of Enrollment Management; Stanley Wanucha, director of CCDE's International Programs and University Preparation; Wang Peng from Wuhan; Gu Li Li from Chengdu; Ren Huairuo (Roy) from Shenzhen; Yirwo Zhao from Guong Dong; Chen Gang (Richard) from Shenzhen; and Kathleen Teehan of the Division of Enrollment Management. The effort is part of a larger outreach to China through CCDE's China Programs Center and International Programs unit, which offers students the opportunity to study at UMass Boston for a semester or longer. Thirty-five students are planning to attend in the future. (Photo by Harry Brett)

UMass Boston to Train Librarians for 21st Century

In partnership with Simmons College Libraries, UMass Boston will use a $638,773 federal grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to provide internships to 144 Massachusetts high school students in efforts to recruit future librarians. The three-year project, which has a special focus on recruiting minorities and those who are the first in their families to attend college, will build on pilot internship programs to develop a curriculum that could be used for any library.

According to Healey librarian George Hart, the federal grant is a direct outcome of a library project funded by a $4,400 grant two years ago to offer library and information science internships to minority high school students. "It all started with an idea from Janet Stewart in the library," remembers Hart. Growing with the participation of Simmons College and a subsequent grant Simmons received from the H.W. Wilson Foundation, the latest grant will fund an internship curriculum that will be available nationwide and is predicted to have a significant impact, says Hart.

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Theatre Arts Professor Coaches Showtime Actors on Local Dialect

By Leigh DuPuy

Ever see a movie in which an actor has a wandering accent? He's "supposed" to be from Boston, let's say, but he sounds nothing like you or your neighbors, and the more he talks, the more distracted the audience gets. The ability to master an accent or dialect is crucial to an actor's success in portraying a believable, authentic character.

Wendy Overly, assistant professor of theatre arts, knows this firsthand. She has been working as a dialect coach for the new series "The Brotherhood," slated to air on Showtime in March 2006. The show is set in the Smith Hill neighborhood of Providence, Rhode Island, and Overly has had the task of assisting the principal actors to master the very specific dialect of that area.

"Dialects are reflective of the socioeconomic fiber of the community, characterized by unique phonetics, melody, cadence, and rhythms," she explains. An authentic dialect is especially integral to this project's character development.

Wendy Overly, assistant professor of theatre arts, is coaching actors in Showtime's new series "The Brotherhood" on how to speak convincingly as residents of the Smith Hill neighborhood of Providence, Rhode Island. (Photo by Harry Brett)

The storyline may sound familiar: two brothers, who grew up in a close-knit, working-class neighborhood, take very different paths into adulthood, one a politician and one a criminal. "I've heard it described as 'The West Wing' meets 'The Sopranos,'" says Overly.

A resident of Providence, Overly did intensive field research, using iTalk technology and an iPod to compile several interviews with people in the neighborhood. "I even recorded my daughter's crossing guard," she remembers. From these interviews, she made compact disc recordings for the actors, complete with drills that helped them to re-create the specific sounds of the dialect and master the "phoneme changes." She then coached the actors one on one.

Trying to navigate between a distinctive accent, which is defined as a national sound, and dialect, which is a regional sound, was a challenge for the project, as three of the actors she coached were not American. "Jason Isaacs is British, Jason Clarke is Australian, and Fionnula Flanagan is Irish," she says. Overly also coached Annabeth Gish, who hails from Ohio, and Ethan Embry, who is originally from southern California.

Not only did she have to teach the actors how to fully master the dialect while in character, Overly had to work out how to blend some existing dialects with the Providence dialect. Flanagan, who has a "beautiful Irish brogue," says Overly, plays the mother of the clan. The writers incorporated her heritage into the story, having the character migrate from Ireland to Providence when she was fourteen. "We had to figure out how to integrate the brogue and get these two dialects to coexist," says Overly.

In addition to her preparatory coaching, Overly is sometimes on set during filming, monitoring dialogue with a headset in "video village." She is then on hand to help the actors make any adjustments needed in between scenes or in a retake.

Recommended to the project by a colleague at Trinity Repertory Company, Overly has been on the set since June, working fourteen-hour days, five days a week during the summer months. A relatively new faculty member, she recently began her second fall teaching at the university. Now that classes have resumed, her duties on set will diminish.

Overly believes that when actors are most successful in mastering a dialect, they don't have to think about it. "The hardest thing to do, for all actors, is to leap from the technical to the organic. And you can't be fully invested in the role if you are too preoccupied with the technique," she says.

Princeton Review Rates UMass Boston as Best in the Northeast

The Princeton Review ranked UMass Boston as a top institution in its 2006 survey of colleges and universities *The Best Northeastern Colleges*. Based on institutional data and surveys of students, editors of the guide described the university as "a school 'about serious learning.' It offers 'an affordable option for working adults' and traditional commuters who want to 'get a real education in a great city for a great price.'"

The Princeton Review asked 53,000 students to rate their schools on a variety of factors ranging from the teaching abilities of their professors to campus food. Students at UMass Boston frequently praised its small classes, its diverse student body, and its urban location.

UMass Boston was one of 224 colleges and universities selected from the District of Columbia and eleven states: Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont. Visit **www.princetonreview.com** to see UMass Boston's review.

$600,000 Raised for Komen Race for the Cure, Held at UMass Boston

Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino and Chancellor Michael F. Collins joined 6,000 participants at the 13th Annual Komen Boston Race for the Cure, held on September 18 at UMass Boston. Runners, walkers, and people of all ages completed the 5k distance and raised more than $600,000 in their efforts to eradicate breast cancer. This is the second time UMass Boston hosted the event. The race, which began at the Clark Athletic Center, followed a scenic route along the Dorchester waterfront. (Photo by Allison Duffy)

Division of Marine Operations Receives Grants for New "Green" Research Vessel

By Leigh DuPuy

With the award of two new grants, the Division of Marine Operations (DMO) moved one step closer to its goal of bringing a state-of-the-art research vessel to UMass Boston. The M/V *Columbia Point*, presently in the final stages of construction, will provide environmentally friendly transportation for education and research projects in and around the Boston Harbor Islands.

The two grants support DMO's "green goal" of promoting environmentally safe practices in water transportation. "We aim to be a model of environmental sustainability in Boston Harbor," says Chris Sweeney, DMO director. For example, DMO received a $6,000 grant from the State Office of Sustainability to help outfit the new vessel with ultra-low-sulfur fuel, which releases less carbon monoxide and fewer hydrocarbons than does regular diesel. This, combined with new Tier-2 EPA-compliant engines, helps the vessel to "burn cleaner" fuel, says Sweeney.

DMO's green technologies program also received a $105,175 grant from the Executive Office of Transportation for an innovative water program. The division qualified for the grant by designing the M/V *Columbia Point* to meet eight green technology criteria, including the incorporation of a low wake wash, which is less damaging to the environment and to small craft that operate in and around Boston Harbor; the use of environmentally friendly e-paint; and the installment of recycled rubber tire matting for the vessel's carpet.

Grants like these also help DMO use environmentally friendly supplies and vendors, which can be more expensive than their non-green resources.

When complete, the 110-passenger research vessel will be used for educational and research purposes—for undergraduate and graduate classes in oceanography, for example, and K–12 science education programs. The U.S. Coast Guard-certified vessel will also be used to provide summer marine transportation to Boston Harbor Islands and offer a new venue for faculty and student events and weekend trips.

For Sweeney, these grants not only help to make M/V *Columbia Point* a reality for UMass Boston, but also help DMO attain a loftier ambition. "We want to be a leader in providing renewable source and sustainability for the marine transportation world," he says.

CAMPUS NOTES

PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCES, AND LECTURES

In September, **Jorgelina Abbate-Vaughn**, assistant professor in the Graduate College of Education (GCOE), gave an invited presentation on preparing teachers for urban settings at the AACTE-Wingspread conference "Language, Curriculum, and Community in Teacher Preparation."

Elsa Auerbach, professor of English, gave a plenary address, "English in a Globalizing World," and presented the workshop "Using Photos as a Tool in Participatory Curriculum Development" at the Southeast Regional TESOL conference.

Chris Bobel, assistant professor in the Women Studies Program, presented "'I'm Not an Activist, Though I've Done a Lot of It': Doing Activism, Being Activist, and the Gendered Perfect Standard in a Contemporary Movement" at a section on collective behavior at the American Sociological Association's annual meeting.

Jim Campen, research associate in the Gastón Institute, presented "Borrowing Trouble" for a forum on predatory lending, sponsored by Office of Fair Housing for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Professor **Connie Chan** of the College of Public and Community Service (CPCS) presented the paper "Asian, Elderly, and Gay: Is Anyone Out There?" and was a cochair and discussant on a symposium on the psychological aspects of same-sex marriage in Massachusetts at the annual American Psychological Association.

The Environmental, Earth and Ocean Sciences (EEOS) Department's **Mary Davis** and **William Robinson** presented the poster "Revisiting the Quincy Bay Contamination Study–2005" at the EPA 2005 National Forum on Contaminants in Fish.

Alexander Des Forges, assistant professor of Chinese, presented "Questions of Genre in Qing Vernacular Fiction and Literary Prose" at the International Conference of Asia Scholars, held in Shanghai, China.

In August, **Linda Dittmar**, professor of English, presented the paper "Geographies of the Heart: Discourses of Homeland in Israel/Palestine" at a conference on documentary films, held in Montreal.

Claire Golomb, professor emerita of psychology, presented the paper "Representational Conception in Two- and Three-Dimensional Media: A Developmental Perspective" at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association.

Carol Hardy-Fanta, director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy, presented the paper "Race, Gender, and Descriptive Representation" at the American Political Science Association's annual meeting. She also participated in a "Meet the Editors" launch of the *Journal of Women, Politics and Policy*, which she coedits with Heidi Hartmann.

Roderick Jensen, the Brann Distinguished Professor of Physics, Biology, and Mathematics, and director of the Center for Environmental Health, Science, and Technology (CEHST), presented "Hemogenomics: Using DNA Microarrays to Discover Genomic Biomarkers in Blood" at the international "Chips to Hits" conference. The invited talk featured the DCA microarray and bioinformatics capabilities of Jensen's new biotechnology center.

Charles "Skuk" Jones, a doctoral candidate in the Ph.D. Program in Public Policy, presented "Behavioral Theory in Simulation: Ambiguous Results from Simple Relationships" at the International System Dynamics conference.

Melanie Jordan of the Institute for Community Inclusion gave three presentations with the Department of Mental Health to staff on work options for subsidized housing tenants who have disabilities.

Peter Kiang, professor of education and director of the Asian American Studies Program, spoke as an invited panelist on "Community, Neighborhoods, Families, and Schools" for the Boston Teacher Residency Program, held at the New Boston Pilot Middle School.

Donaldo Macedo, Distinguished Professor of Liberal Arts and Education, was a plenary speaker at the international conference "IV Jornadas de Desarrollo Humano y Educacion," held in Madrid.

Kathleen Golden McAndrew, assistant vice chancellor of student affairs and executive director of University Health Services, presented "The Identification and Evaluation of the Impaired Employee" at "The Art of Safety" 10th Annual OSHA and Federal Safety and Health Congress and Expo of the Caribbean.

Thomas O'Grady, professor of English and director of Irish studies, gave the keynote address for the Benedict Kiely Literary Weekend, held in Omagh, Northern Ireland, in September.

Melissa Pearrow, assistant professor in the Department of Counseling and School Psychology, presented "Mothering in Academia: Concerns, Challenges, and Triumphs among Academic Psychologists" and a poster, "Relationships Between Community-Based Wraparound Services and Children's School Functioning," at an early career scholars conference sponsored by the Society for the Study of School Psychology at the American Psychological Association.

Mickaella L. Perina, assistant professor of philosophy, presented "Geography of Elsewhere, Traces of Knowledge, Philosophy of Roots and Poetics of Relation: Readings from E. Glissand and R. Menil" at the Caribbean Philosophical Association Second Annual Conference and "In Need of a Cosmopolitan Order? Secularism, Pluralism and International Law Revisited" at the International Society for Universal Dialogue Sixth World Congress.

Karen Ricciardi, assistant professor of mathematics, presented the paper "The Impact of Regional Geologic Variation on Robust Groundwater Remediation Design" at the IASTED International Conference on Modelling, Simulation, and Optimization.

Nina M. Silverstein, associate professor of gerontology, served as an expert on the panel "Development of an Older Driver Self-Screening Guide Based on Health Concerns Associated with Aging," held at the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute.

Nancy Stieber, associate professor of art, presented the paper "Berlage: Visualizing History and Cities" at the international conference "Changing Boundaries: Architectural History in Transition." It was cosponsored by the Society for Architectural Historians and the French National Institute of Art History.

Lauren Sullivan of the Anthropology Department presented the paper "The Early Classic of the Three Rivers Region" on northwestern Belize at the 2005 Belize Archaeology Symposium.

Jun Suzuki, assistant professor of computer science, published and presented two poster papers with graduate student **Paskorn Champrasert** at the 8th IEEE International Conference on Cluster Computing. He also published and presented "Modeling Turnpike: A Model-Driven Framework for Domain-Specific Software Development" with graduate student **Hiroshi Wada** at the 20th ACM International Conference on Object-Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages, and Applications.

Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, assistant professor of sociology, presented the paper "Outlines for a Sociology of Self-Knowledge (Appendix: Comparative Perspectives, Competing Explanations: Reconstructing the History of the Sociology of Knowledge Project)" at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association.

EEOS and economics professor **David Terkla** and two UMass colleagues presented the results of the study "The Marine Science and Technology Industry in New England" to the New England Study Group at the Federal Reserve Bank on September 20.

Robert Weiner's analysis of Moldovan-Russian relations was published online on September 8 by the Eurasian Heritage Foundation, Russian Federation. Weiner is a professor of political science.

PUBLICATIONS

Origins of European Printmaking: Fifteenth-Century Woodcuts and Their Public, coauthored by **David S. Areford** of the Art Department, was published in September by Yale University Press and the National Gallery of Art. The book accompanies the exhibition of the same title organized by the National Gallery of Art and the Germanisches National Museum in Nuremberg.

Retired CPCS faculty member **Alice Barton** published the novel *South Station* with iUniverse.

Pratyush Bharati, professor in the College of Management, published the article "Software Industry in India: Organization and Specialization" in *Proceedings of 4th CMS International Conference*. He also published the cowritten article "Status of Technology Adoption in Micro, Small and Medium Manufacturing Firms in Boston: A Value-Chain Perspective" in *Proceedings of 2005 IRMA International Conference*.

Chris Bobel, assistant professor of women's studies, published two articles, "'Our Revolution Has Style': Menstrual Product Activists 'Doing Feminism' in the Third Wave" in *Sex Roles: A Journal of Research* and "Resistance with a Wink: Young Women, Feminism and the (Radical) Menstruating Body" in *Gendered Bodies: Feminist Perspectives from Birth to Death*.

Patrick Clarkin, assistant professor of anthropology, published the article "Hmong Resettlement in French Guiana" in the *Hmong Studies Journal*.

"Science and Fascism: The Case of Enrico Fermi," an article by history professor and chair **Spencer DiScala**, was published in September's *Totalitarian Movements and Political Religions*.

In September, the Chemistry Department's **Jason J. Evans**, assistant professor, and graduate student **Xingwen Li** published their work on developing a method for efficient analysis of fats in *Rapid Communications in Mass Spectrometry*. Li defended her master's thesis on the topic in July.

Anamarija Frankic, EEOS assistant professor, published the chapter "A Protected Environment in the Adriatic Area: A Key for Sustainable Economic Development" in the book *Global Market Briefings: Doing Business with Croatia*.

The Center for Survey Research's **Patricia Gallagher**, **Jack Fowler,** and **Vickie Stringfellow** published their paper "The Nature of Nonresponse in a Medicaid Survey: Causes and Consequences" in the *Journal of Official Statistics*.

EEOS's **Bernie Gardner** and **Bob Chen** published the paper "High-Resolution Measurements of Chromophoric Dissolved Organic Matter (CDOM) in the Neponset River Estuary, Boston Harbor, MA" in *Marine Chemistry*.

Reebee Garofalo of the Community Media and Technology Program, presented the paper "U.S. Popular Music Goes to War" at the 13th Biennial Conference of the International Association for the Study of Popular Music, held in Rome. His paper examined the trajectory of U.S. popular music since 9/11.

Arthur Goldsmith of the College of Management published the article "Plebiscites, Fiscal Policy, and the Poor: Learning from U.S. Experience with Direct Democracy" in *Development Policy R*.

Debra Hart and **Karen Zimbrich** of the Institute for Community Inclusion published a chapter on students with intellectual disabilities for the book *Going to College: Expanding Opportunities for People with Disabilities*.

Linda Huang, assistant professor of biology, published the coauthored article "The Smk1p MAP Kinase Negatively Regulates Gsc2p, a 1,3-ß-glucan Synthase, during Spore Wall Morphogenesis in Saccharomyces Cerevisiae" in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. Undergraduate **Hugh K. Doherty** is the second author.

CAMPUS NOTES

Roderick Jensen, the Brann Distinguished Professor of Physics, Biology, and Mathematics, and CEHST director, published the paper "Genome-Wide Expression Profiling of Human Blood Reveals Biomarkers for Huntington's Disease" in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

Marlene Kim, associate professor of economics, published the article "Women of Color and Unions" in the journal *Perspectives on Work*.

O Colonialismo da Lingua Inglesa by **Donaldo Macedo**, Distinguished Professor of Liberal Arts and Education, was published by Pretexto Editora. He also published the book chapter "O Multiculturalismo para alem de Jugo do Positivismo" in *Um Seculo de Estudos Curriculares*.

An article by **Joe Marrone** of the Institute for Community Inclusion, "Disability Policy and Employment: Marriage of Convenience or Passionate Love Affairs Between VR and Other Public Systems?," was included in the National Rehabilitation Association's 2004 Mary Switzer Scholar seminar monograph.

Margaret McAllister of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences (CNHS) published "A Health Policy Paradox: The Mind-Body Disconnect in Primary Mental Health Care Policy Part I" in the *Journal of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners*; "Promoting Physiological-Physical Adaptation in Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: Pharmacotherapeutic Evidenced-Based Research and Guidelines" in *Home Health Nurse*; and "Positioning Yourself in Academia," cowritten with colleagues, for the book *In Scholarship and Career Development: Strategies for Success*.

"The Great Hospital," a story by **Askold Melnyczuk**, director of the Creative Writing Program, appears in the Summer 2005 issue of *The Gettysburg Review*. He also has two short pieces, "The Cry of the Toad" and "All the King's Men," in *The Denver Review*.

Mary Oleskiewicz, assistant professor of music, published the essay "The Flute at Dresden: Ramifications of Eighteenth-Century Woodwind Performance in Germany" in *From Renaissance to Baroque: Change in Instruments and Instrumental Music in the Seventeenth Century*.

A review of *Present/Tense: Poets in the World*, edited by **Mark Pawlak**, director of academic support services, was published in the August 2005 issue of *Peace Work*.

Joyce Peseroff, poet-in-residence in the English Department, published a poem, "Asiatic Lilies," in the September *Atlantic Monthly*.

Alexia Pollack, assistant professor of biology, and **Michael Angerer**, graduate exchange student, published the article "Muscarinic Receptor Blockade Attenuates Reserpine-Mediated Fos Induction in the Rat Striatopallidal Pathway" in *Brain Research*.

William Robinson, EEOS professor, coedited *The Decline of Fisheries Resources in New England: Evaluating the Impact of Overfishing, Contamination, and Habitat Degradation*. He coauthored the introductory chapter, "Contamination, Habitat Degradation, Overfishing—An 'Either-Or' Debate?," and the final chapter, "Management Implications: Looking Ahead."

Mohammad H. Tamdgidi, assistant professor of sociology, edited a double issue of *Human Architecture: Journal of the Sociology of Self-Knowledge*, which included papers by thirteen undergraduate students. Tamdgidi also served as associate editor of a double issue of *Discourse of Sociology Practice*, which contained the proceedings of the second annual Social Theory Forum.

Peter Taylor of the Graduate College of Education and the Science, Technology, and Values Program published a new book, *Unruly Complexity: Ecology, Interpretation, Engagement* with the University of Chicago Press.

Miren Uriarte of the Gastón Institute and the Ph.D. Program in Public Policy published the article "Latinos in Massachusetts" in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States* and "Cuban Social Policy Responses to the Economic Crisis of the 1990's" in *Cuban Studies*.

EEOS's **Meng Zhou** and doctoral graduate **Jay Pedersen** coauthored "Eddy Formation on the Coast of North Norway—Evidenced by Synoptic Sampling," which was published by *ICES Journal of Marine Science*.

EXHIBITS, READINGS, PERFORMANCES, AND RECORDINGS

"Partner #1" and "Record Snow, Mid-March," two poems by CPCS lecturer **Susan Eisenberg**, were displayed at Boston City Hall through September as part of the "375 Views of Boston" exhibit sponsored by Mayor Menino's Office of Arts and Tourism.

GRANTS, RESEARCH, AND PROJECTS

Chris Bobel, assistant professor of women's studies, received a Joseph P. Healey Grant in support of her research in the area of menstrual activism. She was also appointed to the board of the Society for Menstrual Cycle Research.

Carol Chandler-Rourke of the English Department helped design and facilitate a series of public forums for K-12 teachers and adult educators on the teaching of immigration in collaboration with the Immigrant Learning Center in Malden.

Professor **Connie Chan** of CPCS screened and counseled evacuees of Hurricane Katrina at Otis Air Force Base on September 8 as a volunteer with the mental health team of the Massachusetts Emergency Response. She will be conducting follow-up counseling in the upcoming months.

Yung-Ping Chen, the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, is serving as an advisor for "Sustainability of Three Pillars of Retirement Income," a research project undertaken by the University of Hong Kong for the Hong Kong government.

Allan Gontz, EEOS assistant professor, was a member of the interdisciplinary scientific crew aboard the NOAA ship *Ronald H. Brown* on the "North Atlantic Stepping Stones 2005" cruise. The primary geologist on board, Gontz joined scientists from area institutes to explore seamount chains extending from the Azores to the Canadian-U.S. continental shelf.

Roderick Jensen, the Brann Distinguished Professor of Physics, Biology, and Mathematics, and CEST director, received funding to establish a stem-cell microarray and bioinformatics core facility at UMass Boston from the UMass President's Science and Technology Fund. This facility will support collaborative research activities in stem-cell and tissue-regeneration research with academic and industrial partners nationally.

Benyamin Lichtenstein, assistant professor of management and entrepreneurship, is a senior researcher for a National Science Foundation-funded project at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to study sustainable organizations.

Roni Lipton, assistant director of the Graduate Programs in Dispute Resolution, presented "Conflict Resolution: Tools for Advocates" for a workshop on negotiation skills designed for Latino community activists. The workshops were part of a Gastón Institute program and co-led by **Sue Ellen Beers**, a master's candidate in the Dispute Resolution program.

Mary Oleskiewicz, assistant professor of music, is spending the fall 2005 semester in Germany presenting lectures, master classes, and workshops at the University of Music and Performing Arts in Frankfurt, the Humboldt University in Berlin, and the University of Arts in Berlin, where she is a guest researcher and instructor.

Professor **Gopal Rao** of the Physics Department was awarded a SBIR Phase II contract for the U.S. Army for the project "Nano Porus Azobenzene Dendron Films for Laser Eye and Sensor Protection." He is working in collaboration with Ocean Nanotech, LLC.

Jun Suzuki, assistant professor of computer science, received a grant for $15,000 to conduct research on an extensible software modeling and execution framework for OGIS International, Inc.

Meng Zhou, EEOS associate professor, was awarded $70,000 from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority for the proposal "Maintenance, Enhancement, and Application of the Massachusetts Bay Model."

In August, the Center for Social Policy was awarded an evaluation grant from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation to track the impacts of enhanced marketing and sales capacity on alternative staffing.

The Equity and Excellence in Higher Education project at the Institute for Community Inclusion has received renewed funding for three years from the U.S. Department of Education.

APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS

Yung-Ping Chen, the Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, has been appointed an at-large delegate to the 2005 White House Conference on Aging.

Chancellor **Michael F. Collins** has been named professor of management in the College of Management.

Martin Calkins, **Vargehese George**, **Holly Johnston**, and **Elizabeth O'Connor** joined the faculty in the College of Management.

Susan DeSanto-Madeya, CNHS assistant professor, was appointed associate clinical scientist in the Phyllis F. Cantor Center at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. She was also appointed to the review panel for the journal *Advances in Nursing Science*.

Kevin Dolan earned a project management professional credential from the Project Management Institute. Dolan, an assistant CIO and director of Enterprise Computing, has worked for the university for fourteen years, most recently in the Department of Information Technology.

Michael Greeley, associate professor of mathematics, was appointed interim dean of the College of Science and Mathematics.

Oscar Gutierrez, associate professor of management information systems, has been appointed associate dean for the College of Management.

A new book by **Kevin Murphy**, adjunct professor of history, is a finalist for this year's Deutscher Memorial Book Prize. *Revolution and Counterrevolution: Class Struggle in a Moscow Metal Factory* is one of four books "which exemplifies the best and most innovative new writing in or about the Marxist tradition."

Janet M. Wagner of the College of Management, was appointed an American Council on Education Fellow and will spend the 2005–2006 academic year at the University of Albany.

OBITUARY

Bettina Hall Harrison, former biology faculty member, passed away after a brief illness in August. Harrison taught at UMass Boston for more than 30 years and was one of the first to receive the Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award.

IN THE NEWS

Newly enrolled students who were attending schools in New Orleans, **Orlando Alcazar** and **Ann Shumaker**, were featured in a September 14 article in the *Boston Herald*.

Francoise Carre of the Center for Social Policy was quoted in August's *Commonwealth Magazine* for a story on contingent employment.

On September 1 and 2, WBZ AM, WCVB, and WLVI featured interviews with Chancellor **Michael F. Collins**, who discussed UMass Boston's offer of emergency admissions to students affected by Hurricane Katrina. Additional coverage included the *Boston Globe*, NECN, WHDH, WFXT, and CBS 4.

On September 14, **Michael F. Collins**, chancellor of UMass Boston, was featured in an article in the *Boston Herald* and was interviewed on WBZ-Radio's "The Paul Sullivan Show." He was also featured in a September 16 article in the *Patriot Ledger*.

GCOE professor **Melissa Pearrow** was quoted in the *Boston Globe* on September 12 on educating children from Louisiana who are living at Otis Air Force Base.

Coverage of the 2005 Boston Folk Festival included articles in the *Boston Globe*, *Dorchester Reporter*, *Patriot Ledger*, *Metrowest Daily News*, and *Salem News*.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

The Calendar of Events is published monthly by the Office of University Communications and Community Relations. All events are open to the public and free, unless otherwise noted. From off campus, dial (617) 28 and the last five digits below each event.

Submit November calendar listings by **Friday, October 14** to **umb.edu/news/calendar/.**

Tuesday 4

Yoga for All
2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Tuesdays, McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center, 1st fl. For all levels. Students: free. Faculty/staff: $5.00. Yoga mats will be provided. Contact: 7-5680 or **linda.jorgensen@umb.edu**.

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Soccer vs. Wentworth Institute of Technology
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Volleyball vs. University of Southern Maine
6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Wednesday 5

Yoga for All
1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Wednesdays, McCormack Hall, Beacon Fitness Center, 1st fl. For all levels. Students: free. Faculty/staff: $5.00. Yoga mats will be provided. Contact: 7-5680 or **linda.jorgensen@umb.edu**.

UMass Boston Beacons: Men's Soccer vs. Clark University
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

College of Management (CM) Presents: Meet the Accounting Firms
4:00 – 6:00 p.m., Campus Center, Ballroom, 3rd fl. Annual career discussion for CM students and alumni who work in accounting field. Contact: 7-7734 or **maryann.machanic @umb.edu.**

M.A. English Program Colloquium Series: Practicing What You Teach: Teaching the Writing of Fiction While Writing
5:30 – 6:45 p.m., Wheatley Hall, 6-095. Featuring Professor Askold Melnyczuk. Open to all. Contact: 7-6702.

Thursday 6

Meditation Group
2:30 – 3:00 p.m., Thursdays, McCormack Hall, Interfaith Chapel/ Ryan Lounge, 3rd fl. Guided instruction provided. Sponsored by University Health Services, Health Education and Wellness. Contact: 7-5624 or **lauren.mayhew@umb.edu**.

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Volleyball vs. Regis College
6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Friday 7

Biology Seminar Speaker Series: Plant Stress Response to the Environmental Pollutants Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) in Arabidopsis
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Science Center, 1-006. Featuring Adan Colon-Cormona of UMass Boston. Contact: 7-6600 or **maria.mahoney@umb.edu**.

Saturday 8

The Dominican American National Roundtable: 8th Annual National Conference
8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Campus Center. Featuring workshops on health, economic empowerment, Dominican identity, civic involvement, education, government, and other contemporary issues affecting Dominicans. Also on October 9. Contact: **info@danr.org**.

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Soccer vs. UMass Dartmouth
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Tennis vs. University of Southern Maine
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Monday 10

Columbus Day
University closed.

Wednesday 12

Squandered Victory: The American Occupation and the Bungled Effort to Bring Democracy to Iraq: A Conversation with Dr. Larry Diamond
12:30 – 2:00 p.m., Campus Center, Rm. 3-3540. Featuring Larry Diamond, senior fellow at the Hoover Institution and professor at Stanford University, author, and editor. Event sponsored by the Graduate Programs in Dispute Resolution. Contact: **kelly.ward@umb.edu** or 7-7421.

Joiner Center Reading and Discussion: Sam Hamill
2:30 p.m., Wheatley Hall, English Department Lounge, 6th fl. Featuring Hamill who is a renowned poet, translator, publisher, former Marine Corps officer, and conscientious objector. He is founder of Poets Against War and Copper Canyon Press. Contact: 7-5850.

UMass Boston Beacons: Men's Soccer vs. Framingham State College
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu.** Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Thursday 13

2005 Hall of Fame Induction Banquet
6:00 p.m., Campus Center, ballroom, 3rd fl. Ceremony to honor outstanding former student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and friends of the athletics program. Contact: 7-7802.

Friday 14

Biology Seminar Speaker Series: Behavioral Sensitization in a Rat Model of Parkinson's Disease: Dopamine-Glutamate-Adenosine Interactions
2:30 – 4:00 p.m., Science Center, 1-006. Featuring Alexia Pollack of UMass Boston. Contact: 7-6600 or **maria.mahoney@umb.edu.**

Institute for Community Inclusion Conference: A Collaborative Transition Process
8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Best Western Sovereign Hotel and Conference Center, West Springfield, MA. Conference for those interested in improving postsecondary outcomes for youth. Featuring keynote speaker David R. Johnson. A second conference will be held on October 28 in Marlborough. Contact **www.communityinclusion.org** or 7-4314.

Tuesday 18

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Soccer vs. Emerson College
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Volleyball vs. Framingham State College
6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu**. Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Wednesday 19

UMass Boston Police Department Theft Prevention Program: Auto Glass Etching
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Garage, upper level. Auto glass etching is a process that permanently etches your vehicle identification number into all windows and mirrors of your car and helps deter auto theft. The fee is $10.00 and it takes 20 minutes. The parking fee will be validated. Contact: 7-7780.

M.A. English Program Colloquium Series: What Compositionists Do: Following the Development of an Idea in the Work of Mike Rose, 1985 to 1990
5:30 – 6:45 p.m., Wheatley Hall, 6-095. Featuring Professor Judy Goleman. Open to all. Contact: 7-6702.

Boston City Council Debate
7:00 p.m., Campus Center, ballroom, 3rd fl. Debate featuring eight candidates running for Boston City Council. Sponsored by the Ethnic Media Project at the Center for Media and Society. Contact. 7-6798.

Thursday 20

Gastón Institute Speaker Series: Transnational Twist: Pecuniary Remittances and the Integration of Authorized and Unauthorized Mexican Immigrants
1:00 – 2:30 p.m., Campus Center, 3-3540. Featuring Enrico Marcelli, professor of economics. Contact: 7-5791.

Center for Collaborative Leadership Presents: A Celebration of the Emerging Leaders of Boston
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Boston Marriott Copley Place. Featuring keynote speaker Edmund "Ted" Kelly, group chairman, president, and CEO of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. Reservations and tickets are required. Contact: **leaders@umb.edu.**

College of Management Presents: Senior Executive Forum: Dynamic Role of Information Technology in Organizations
6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Quinn Administration Building, Chancellor's Conference Room, 3rd floor. Featuring Edward Esposito, vice president of information technology, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. Contact: 7-7734.

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Volleyball vs. Roger Williams University
6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu.** Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Monday 24

Diversity Luncheon Series: Education in Social Justice: Discussion of Lesbian, Gay, and Transgender Identities
12:15 - 1:30 p.m., Campus Center, Bay View Conference Room, 3-3540. Featuring Deborah Cohen and Vail Kahn of the University Health Services's Counseling Center. The first 20 students to register by October 19 will get a free lunch. Contact: **www.umbwellness.org** or **edna.pressler@umb.edu.**

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Soccer vs. Regis College
3:00 – 6:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu.** Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Tuesday 25

College of Management (CM) Presents: CMI: College of Management Investigation
2:00 – 6:00 p.m., Campus Center, ballroom, 3rd fl. Open forum on opportunities in the college: courses, concentrations, clubs, and career services. Contact: 7-7734.

Wednesday 26

UMass Boston Beacons: Women's Volleyball vs. Massachusetts Maritime Academy
6:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu.** Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Saturday 29

UMass Boston Beacons: Men's Soccer vs. Keene State College
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Clark Athletic Center. See complete schedule at **www.athletics.umb.edu.** Contact: 7-7802 or **david.marsters@umb.edu.**

Miscellaneous

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
Wednesdays, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m., Campus Center, 4-4201. Meeting for people involved in recovery from alcohol or drug abuse. All are welcome. Contact: Sean Greene, 7-7981, **sgrn18@aol.com.**

Campus Ministry
Offerings include interfaith Bible study, gospel choir club rehearsals, Catholic mass, Christian ecumenical worship, justice coalition workshops, etc. Contact: 7-5839 or **www.umb.edu/students/campus_ministry/**.

Clark Athletic Center
See **www.athletics.umb.edu** for schedules, scores, rosters, coaches, building hours, community member program, Beacon Fitness Center membership, etc. Contact: 7-7801.

CPR Classes/Certification
October 4 and October 19. Class for non-health-care providers open to UMass Boston community members. Class is free; $10 for a certification card. All participants must give one-week notice to cancel registration. Classes run through December. Contact: **www.umbwellness.org/cpr.htm** or **linda.jorgensen@umb.edu.**

Eco-tours of UMass Boston
3:00 - 3:40 p.m., Wednesdays. Just off catwalk, 2nd fl., Campus Center. Learn more about UMass Boston's eco-friendly practices. RSVP to 7-5083 or **umbe.green@umb.edu.**

Instructional Technology Center (ITC)
Interested in expanding your technology horizons? Visit the ITC website at **www.itc.umb.edu,** or contact 7-2990.

Massachusetts Office of Dispute Resolution (MODR)
MODR is a new institute on campus whose mission is to provide leadership in dispute system research, design, and training through economic and policy research and practice. MODR promotes conflict management practice in all sectors. Visit the office in McCormack Hall, 1-627.

Overeaters Anonymous (OA) Meeting
6:45 – 7:45 p.m., Wednesdays. Does food rule your life? OA is a fellowship of people who share the common problem of compulsive overeating. Contact: 781-635-7209.

WUMB 91.9 FM *Commonwealth Journal*
Sundays, 7:00 p.m. Interviews with scholars, writers, and public officials examining current issues of interest to the people of Massachusetts. Contact: 7-6900.